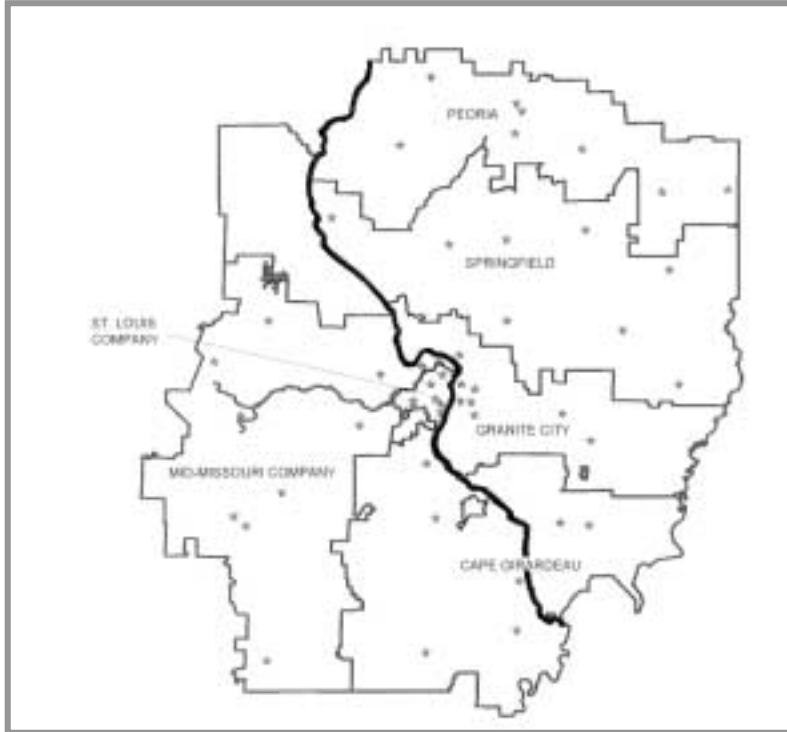


U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion St. Louis



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Cape Girardeau Recruiting Company

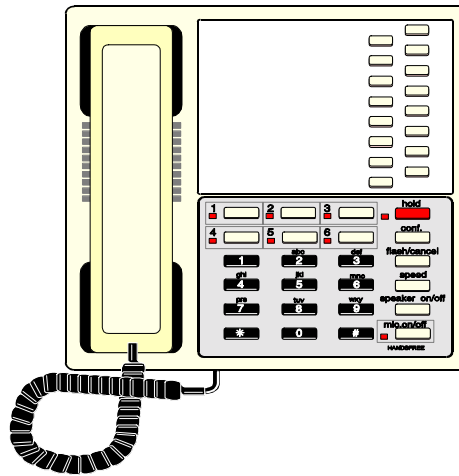
Company Headquarters	(573) 335-4959
Cape Girardeau RS	(573) 335-9052
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Poplar Bluff RS	(573) 785-9686
Sikeston RS	(573) 471-8870

Granite City Recruiting Company

Company Headquarters	(618) 452-4384
Alton RS	(618) 462-3314
Belleville RS	(618) 233-7840
Centralia RS	(618) 532-2033
Collinsville RS	(618) 345-7874
East St. Louis RS	(618) 274-1636
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Granite City RS	(618) 876-5950
Mount Vernon RS	(618) 244-2352
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Company Headquarters	(314) 821-7791
Arnold RS	(636) 287-1083
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St. Louis Recruiting Company (cont'd)

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St. Peters RS	(636) 279-2050
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Mid-Missouri Recruiting Company

Company Headquarters	(573) 596-0834
Columbia RS	(573) 449-0579
Jefferson City RS	(573) 635-2132
Mexico RS	(573) 581-7355
Rolla RS	(573) 364-4551
Union RS	(636) 583-8452
Waynesville RS	(573) 336-5544
Wentzville RS	(636) 327-5703
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Springfield Recruiting Company

Company Headquarters	(217) 787-1810
Charleston RS	(217) 345-2081
Decatur RS	(217) 423-8512
Effingham RS	(217) 347-5108
Hannibal RS	(573) 406-0464
Jacksonville RS	(217) 243-9431
Litchfield RS	(217) 324-5957
Quincy RS	(217) 222-5564
Springfield RS	(217) 787-2769

Peoria Recruiting Company

Company Headquarters	(309) 692-0395
Bloomington RS	(309) 662-8406
Champaign RS	(217) 356-2838
Danville RS	(217) 442-1084
East Peoria RS	(309) 745-5538
Galesburg RS	(309) 342-6167
Macomb RS	(309) 837-9242
Pekin RS	(309) 346-2769
Peoria RS	(309) 689-0071
University RS	(309) 454-3223

St. Louis Battalion headquarters is located on the 10th floor of the Robert A. Young Federal Building, 1222 Spruce Street, in downtown St. Louis. If you look out a window in the headquarters, you can catch a glimpse of the mighty Mississippi River 12 blocks away and the gleam of the tallest national monument in the United States, the 630 foot-tall **Gateway Arch**, eight blocks away from the battalion.

The city of St. Louis, founded in 1766 by the French, is a beautiful metropolis, successfully combining the best of a multi-cultural heritage and a modern, up-to-date image.

The metropolitan St. Louis area, with a population of about 3 million people, is one of the top 15 metro areas in the country. In addition to St. Louis City proper, the metro area includes four Illinois counties across the Mississippi River, plus St. Louis County, and the fast-growing St. Charles county across the Missouri River and northwest of the city.



Downtown St. Louis

These counties surround the Arch grounds which is the site of the original settlement of the Village of St. Louis. Now managed by the National Park Service, the grounds include not only the Arch, but also the Museum of Westward Expansion, underground beneath the Arch, and the Old Courthouse which dates from pre-Civil War days.

Just north of the Arch is **Laclede's Landing**, a national model for successful riverfront development. Listed on the National Register for Historic Places, the Landing's 20 or more bars and restaurants, numerous shops and offices are laid out along the original New Orleans-style street pattern of Old St. Louis.

Downtown St. Louis is anchored to the south by **Busch Stadium** – home of the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team. Four blocks north of battalion headquarters is the **TWA Dome Convention Center** which recently underwent a massive renovation and expansion, with the addition of a 70,000-seat domed stadium.

The Old Post Office, located between these two anchoring points at 10th and Olive, is the center of downtown St. Louis. Declared a historical monument in 1972, it was built as a fortress after the Civil War, and was designed after the famous Louvre in Paris.

Other points of interest downtown include **St. Louis Centre**, the largest downtown shopping mall in the country. Three blocks north from battalion headquarters is the **Kiel Center**, home to the St. Louis Blues' Hockey team. **St. Louis Union Station**, the nation's largest renovation project of its once busiest train station, is now a world-class dining, shopping and entertainment complex.

Soulard

Within walking distance of downtown, on the near south side, is the city's oldest remaining residential neighborhood. Soulard is home to the headquarters of the world's largest brewery, **Anheuser Busch**.

The **Soulard Market**, a two-block open-air market surrounded by old churches, gives its name to this national historic district.

The Market, founded in 1779 by the French, is almost as old as the city. Since its beginning, it has served as the hub of the neighborhood. Today the oldest market in the United States still functions as the center of activity for a new complex of bars, restaurants, and renovated row-house architecture. The area is a mecca for lovers of jazz, the blues, and French food.

Grand Center

Just west of downtown is the old theater district of St. Louis. Now renamed Grand Center, it contains **St. Louis University**, the oldest university west of the Mississippi; **Powell Symphony Hall**, home to the nation's second oldest symphony; and the meticulously renovated **Fabulous Fox Theater**.

Central West End

West of the Grand Center is another revitalized district, the Central West End. Class bars and restaurants are scattered throughout this neighborhood of stately century old mansions and historic private streets. The West End features a lighted fountain amid a collage of cobblestone streets, sidewalk cafes, art galleries and antique shops.

The colossal **St. Louis Cathedral**, just two blocks away, features the largest collection of mosaic art in the Western Hemisphere.

Forest Park

Magnificent Forest Park is located just across Kingshighway Boulevard from the Central West End. Forest Park was the site of the 1904 World's Fair and is the second largest urban park in the nation. Forest Park contains some of the city's major attractions: the world-famous **St. Louis Zoo**, where admission is free to the 83 acres of world class animal habitats; the **St. Louis Science Center**, with 500 hands-on displays to include a real Gemini space capsule that took astronauts to space; and an elegant art museum.

Many St. Louisians spend their summer evenings enjoying Broadway musicals in the **Muny**, a 12,000-seat outdoor amphitheater, also in Forest Park.

Shaw's Garden

A short drive from Forest Park is the **Missouri Botanical Garden** – also known as Shaw's Garden – established in 1859. Carefully tended greenery, a domed **Climatron**, and the nation's largest Japanese garden are highlights.

New attractions

In 1993, St. Louis added two attractions that delight residents and visitors alike. One is a rapid transit system **MetroLink** that services areas between the airport and the downtown area

providing easy access to St. Louis' most popular attractions.

The second enticement is the addition of lively and colorful riverboat gambling casinos that ply the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

A Transportation Hub

St. Louis is within a 500-mile radius of over 100 metropolitan areas containing 25 percent of the US population. The city has the busiest terminal in the TWA global system, and is the nation's busiest inland waterport. It is the second largest rail center in the country connecting industrial centers in 20 states. Four interstate highways intersecting here and lead out to all parts of the country. In short, you can get anywhere from St. Louis in relatively short order – it is the geographical hub of the country.

True to our name

Our slogan is true: *St. Louis has it all!* May you find your special places and favorite attractions during your assignment to the St. Louis Recruiting Battalion. We don't think it will be difficult: the area literally has something for everyone. Now read on about the exciting attractions in the outstate areas that the battalion covers in Missouri and Illinois as we go to the company sections.

For More Information, call:

America's Center	(314) 342-5000
American Theatre	962-4000
Anheuser-Busch Brewery Tours	577-2626
Arch Odyssey Theatre	982-1410
Black Repertory Company	534-3810
Center of Contemporary Art	725-6555
Dance St. Louis	534-5000
Eugene Field House & Toy Museum	421-4689
Fabulous Fox	534-0506
Grant's Farm	843-1700
Gateway Arch	425-4465
Liberty Playhouse of St. Louis	963-4653
Lambert-St. Louis International Airport	426-8000
MetroLink	231-2345
Missouri Botanical Garden	577-5100
Muny Opera	361-1900
National Bowling Hall of Fame	231-6140
National Museum of Transportation	965-7998

St. Louis Art Museum	721-0072
St. Louis Baseball Cardinals	421-3060
St. Louis Blues Hockey	622-2500
St. Louis Cathedral	533-2824
St. Louis Children's Museum	822-8900
St. Louis Convention & Visitors Bureau	946-7776
St. Louis History Center	361-1424
St. Louis Public Library	241-2288
St. Louis Rams	982-7267
St. Louis Science Center	289-4444
St. Louis Symphony Orchestra	534-1700
St. Louis Union Station	421-6655
St. Louis Visitor's Center	241-1764
St. Louis Zoo	781-0900
Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum	622-4550
Soulard Market	622-4180
Special Events (Fun Phone)	421-2100
The Dog Museum	821-DOGS

Cape Girardeau Recruiting Company is headquartered in Cape Girardeau — the largest city in what is generally called Missouri's "River Heritage Region." The city is one of the area's most historic, with a tradition dating to the 1700s. It has preserved many reminders of the past, but also offers the lodging, dining, and shipping you might expect in a growing urban center.

Just west of Cape Girardeau is the Bollinger Mill and Covered Bridge. The rare combination of mill and 140-foot bridge makes a memorable photograph. South from the city the landscape changes from roller coaster hills to rich farmland. Cities and towns of interest in this area include Benton, with its winery tours; Charleston, with its stately old mansions; and Sikeston, home of Missouri's largest rodeo.

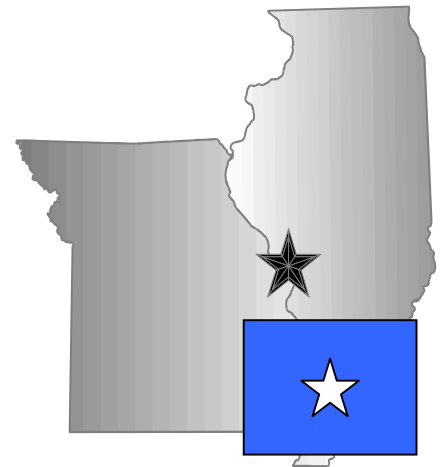
A swing west of Sikeston will bring the traveler to Poplar Bluff, the largest town in the area of Lake Wappapello, which provides much of the area's water recreation. This large Corps of Engineer's lake is convenient to all for water fun, with campgrounds and rental cabins. Up north in Cape Girardeau Company, near Fredericktown, the return to hill-country scenery becomes very pronounced. In this part of Missouri, mining was the key to the area's growth. From Farmington, the largest town in the old lead mining district, to towns such as Flat River and Bonne Terre, the impact of mining is obvious. Visitors should take a guided tour of Bonne Terre Mine, with its high ceilings and wide passage ways. The crystal clear waters of a billion-gallon underground lake have become a major attraction for scuba divers.

Southern Illinois Region

The eastern portion of Cape Girardeau Company is in Southern Illinois. However, most newcomers are amazed when they visit this portion of Illinois — no flat prairie or huge cornfields. Instead, they find the Ozark foothills and the quarter million acre Shawnee National Forest — laced by rivers, lakes and unusual rock out-croppings. The dozens of lakes which make southern Illinois a paradise for fishermen, bring a touch of the north woods to southern Illinois.

The Shawnee National Forest is dotted with quaint hill towns. Alto Pass, noted for its quilters and astonishing landmark, the Bald Knob Cross; Cobden with its acres of inviting peach orchards; and Makanda, a tiny enclave with a few resident artists. Murphysboro is best known for its apple orchards, its annual Apple Festival and its close proximity to forests and the accompanying assortment of outdoor recreation areas.

The Illinois Ozarks is not entirely known for their laid back towns, however. At Carbondale, there is a large commercial center and the sprawling campus of Southern Illinois University.



SPECIAL EVENTS: A Sampler

Riverfest: June — Cape Girardeau

This June festival provides this river city with a chance to celebrate its important Mississippi River heritage. With the riverfront lined with crafts, food booths and entertainment, one of the specialties is catfish and barbecue dinners.

Jour de fete: August — St. Genevieve

Enjoy the French and German heritage of Missouri's oldest town with tours of several historic homes dating back to the 1700s. Shop over 400 stands featuring authentic arts and crafts. Enjoy old-style French clogging, French marines, Indian groups, German bands and other special entertainment.

Bootheel Rodeo: August — Sikeston

Many of the top ropers and riders in the nation and Canada compete at this, the largest rodeo in the state. The rodeo also spotlights at least four top country music stars/bands.

Cotton Carnival: September — Sikeston

Annual tribute to the cotton industry of southeast Missouri. Six days of arts and crafts, food booths and local talent.



Granite City Company is headquartered in Granite City, Illinois, just across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. Company headquarters is actually located on a military installation: The Charles Melvin Price Support Center. Scott Air Force Base, headquarters for the Air Mobility Command, is located in nearby Belleville.

The Company encompasses the urban counties of South Central Illinois. The area is just a short drive from downtown St. Louis. These municipalities include Belleville, Fairview Heights, Columbia and Edwardsville. The company also includes the rural areas of Alton, Centralia, and Mr. Vernon.

This region was a center for large concentrations of ethnic groups in the early days. Ger-Germans originally settled Belleville in the early nineteenth century and the town still retains its strong German heritage with a historic district encompassing many buildings. Belleville is also well known as the site of Our Lady of the Snows Shrine, the largest Catholic devotional shrine in the country.

A real surprise is in store at Okawville – the sole survivor of a number of European style hot springs spas operated in an unpretentious frame building.

Nearby Lebanon, home of McKendree College, offers a step into the historic mid-west, reflecting mid-Victorian architecture and academic culture. Highland is believed to be the oldest and largest Swiss community in the United States.

Collinsville is located on the site that was once the cultural center for the American Indians centuries before the Europeans came to the Illinois country. Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site encompasses the largest man-made earthwork in North America – Monks Mound. Nearby Edwardsville houses a branch of Southern Illinois University. The river culture at Granite City is best demonstrated by one of the largest lock and dam systems in the Western Hemisphere and heavy barge traffic along the Mississippi.

Charles Melvin Price Support Center

Granite City, Illinois 62040

Area Code: 618

Information.....	452-4268
ACS.....	452-4260
Arts and Crafts.....	452-4318
Auto Hobby Shop.....	452-4279
Barber Shop.....	452-0113
Child Care Center.....	452-4480
Commissary.....	452-4220
Community Club.....	452-4358
Housing.....	452-4284
ID Cards.....	452-4226
Gymnasium.....	452-4209
Library.....	452-4332
Post Exchange.....	452-5230
Thrift Shop.....	452-4330

Scott Air Force Base

Belleville, Illinois 62221

Area Code: 618

Information.....	256-1110
Base Exchange.....	744-0888
Billeting Office.....	256-1844
Child Care Center.....	744-1771
Commissary.....	256-2783
Dental Clinic.....	256-1846
Family Services.....	256-3616
Gymnasium.....	256-4524
Housing.....	256-1840
Household Goods: Inbound.....	256-1848
Outbound.....	256-1849
Hospital: Emergency.....	746-2781
Information.....	256-7500
Admission.....	256-7533
CHAMPUS.....	256-7521
Legal Assistance.....	256-2358
Movies/Activities.....	256-6569
Red Cross.....	256-1855

St. Louis Company encompasses the city of St. Louis and the metropolitan area counties that surround the city on the Missouri side of the Mississippi River.

The company headquarters is located in West St. Louis County, a rapidly expanding population hub of the metropolitan area, with trendy night spots, proliferating shopping centers and well-to-do suburbs.

Just west of company headquarters, on Interstate 44, is the famous Six Flags Over Mid America amusement park, offering 200 acres of rides, shows and family fun.

Further south in St. Louis Company is the headquarters of the world's largest brewery – Anheuser Busch. The brewery is open year round for free tours and samples. A short driving distance away is another Anheuser Busch attraction – Grant's Farm. Visitors can ride through the game preserve, see Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's cabin, sample Anheuser Busch products and view the famous Clydesdale horses.

The south area also offers year round beauty at the Missouri Botanical Garden, founded in 1859. Carefully tended greenery, an indoor rain forest at the domed Climatron and America's largest Japanese garden are the highlights.

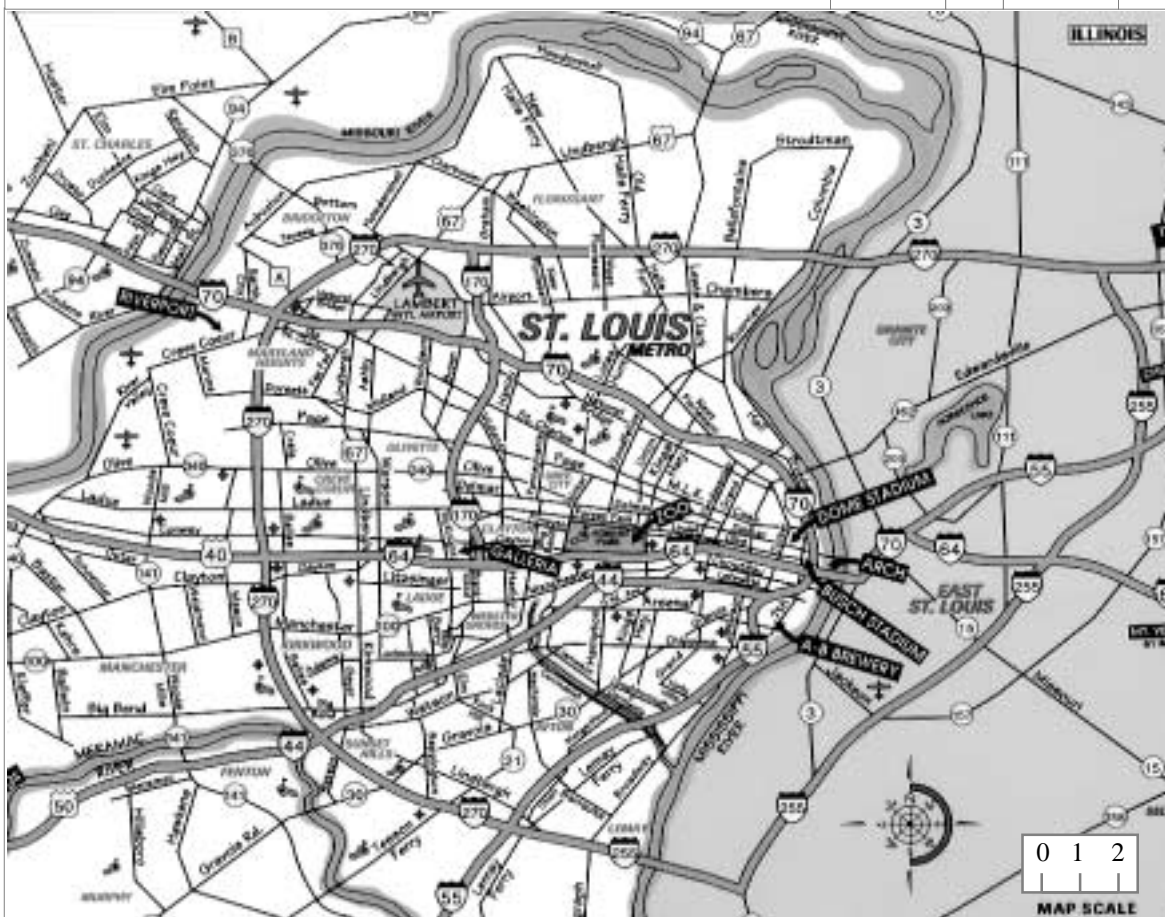
In the north area of St. Louis Company is the suburb of Florissant, where old St. Ferdinand's Shrine, the oldest Catholic church between the Mississippi and the Rockies is located.



MILES FROM ST. LOUIS

ILLINOIS		MISSOURI	
Alton	20	C. Girardeau	110
Belleville	25	Columbia	115
Centralia	60	Farmington	70
Chicago	300	Hannibal	120
Decatur	130	Joplin	290
Effingham	100	Kansas City	250
Peoria	175	Springfield	210
Quincy	135	St. Joseph	300
Springfield	95	Warrenton	50
Vandalia	65	Washington	45

Metropolitan St. Louis and Surrounding Communities





Mid Missouri Company headquarters is located on Fort Leonard Wood, home of the U.S. Army Engineer Training Center, with Waynesville as its “gateway” city. This is the heart of the beautiful Missouri Ozarks. The huge Lake of the Ozarks dominates this area of central Missouri – its 1,375 miles of shoreline twists and turns through the green Ozark Mountains in this region.

Missouri's largest state park, the 17,000 acre Lake of the Ozark's State Park, is located here near Osage Beach. The park features two swimming beaches, 89 miles of lake shoreline, boat launching areas and horseback riding.

Columbia is mid-Missouri's largest city and home of the University of Missouri main campus of 35,000. Known as College Town, USA, Columbia is not only home to “Old Mizzou”, but to Stephens and Columbia Colleges also.

To sample nature's beauty, stop by the Shelter Insurance Gardens. Or head for nearby Rock Bridge State Park, with springs, streams and trails.

Farther east is Fulton, where you'll marvel at the centuries-old Church of St. Mary Aldermanbury. It was shipped in pieces from London to the campus of Westminster College and re-assembled as the Winston Churchill Memorial. The church, with a museum in its undercroft, honors Churchill's “Iron Curtain” speech, delivered on the campus in 1946.

A drive along the river will lead to Jefferson City, the Missouri state capital. The capitol building is an imposing sight situated on the bluffs of the Missouri River. A visit inside to see the magnificent Thomas Hart Benton murals is a must.

Stops south of the Missouri River include a look at the preserved log buildings in tiny Kimmswick or a tour of Meramec Caverns. Said to be the world's only five-story cave, the caverns are a popular attraction.

The Black Madonna Shrine, in nearby Eureka, offers a peaceful respite, with its amazing handbuilt rock grottoes. The old Missouri River town of Washington is quaint and proud of its claim to fame as the world's corncob pipe capital. This area is also known as ‘Missouri Wine Country’. There are any number of wineries nestled along the hills that offer tours and samples.

A stop in Hermann is a must, especially during the mid-May Maifest or the Octoberfest.

Don't miss the Miss Missouri Scholarship Pageant (a preliminary to the Miss America Pageant) held the first weekend in June in Mexico, Missouri. A small town with a big heart! This town is extremely proud of its history. Founded in 1836, it has deep roots in the firebrick industry, agriculture and world renowned saddle horses.

Fort Leonard Wood

Waynesville, Missouri

Area Code: 573

DSN: 581



U.S. Army Engineer Training Center

Information.....	565-0151
Auto Crafts.....	563-8052
Billeting Office.....	563-6169
Bus Svc: Continental Trailways.....	329-6226
Greyhound.....	329-4232
Clothing Sales.....	563-2315
Clubs: NCO.....	329-6533
Walker Rec Center.....	563-7425
Commissary.....	563-1749
Credit Union.....	329-3151
Dental Clinic.....	563-1101
Emergency Medical Services.....	563-2157
Family Housing.....	563-5412
Finance.....	563-8419
Hospital: Appts on post.....	329-2300
Appts of post.....	563-9701
CHAMPUS.....	563-9773
Inpatient Information.....	563-9771
ID Cards.....	563-8917
Legal Assistance.....	563-8171
Multi-Crafts.....	563-7164
PX Main Store.....	329-2200
Recreation Center.....	563-5041
Red Cross.....	563-4151
Rent-All Shop.....	329-4844
Youth Activity.....	563-3451

For More Information, Call:

Six Flags Over Mid-America.....	(636) 938-5300
Lake Ozark Chamber of Commerce.....	(573) 348-2730
Octoberfest (Hermann).....	(314) 486-2221
Missouri University Tigers.....	(573) 882-2386

Springfield Company encompasses a portion of mid-central Illinois and northeastern Missouri. The company is headquartered in Illinois' capital city where the historic past, government in action and special happenings are all waiting to be discovered.

Springfield is Abe Lincoln Country. Points of interest in the city include the Lincoln Home Historic Site at 8th and Jackson, and the Lincoln Depot, located on Monroe Street between 9th and 10th. From this depot, president-elect Lincoln bade farewell to the Springfield he loved and boarded a train for Washington, D.C., and his subsequent inauguration as President. Lincoln's farewell address delivered at this site, ranks in eloquence with the Gettysburg Address. The depot contains restored waiting rooms, exhibit areas and a multi-media presentation.

Lake Springfield, located southeast of the city, is a 4,200-acre lake with more than 57 miles of beautiful shoreline. The Henson Robinson Zoo is located on Lake Drive.

Also in Springfield Company is Quincy, which stands on a bluff overlooking the Mississippi River, where the river swings further west. Quincy became known as the "Gem City" because of the natural resources located there. In 1858, Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas held their famous debate in Quincy's Washington Park.

Today's Quincy, twice named an All-American City, is a pretty town with wide, tree-lined streets and magnificent architecture. In the natural setting of hills and bluffs, Quincy's park system provides many forms of recreation, as does the "Mighty Mississippi."

Just south of Quincy and across the river is Mark Twain's hometown of Hannibal, Missouri. The Mark Twain Historic District is beautifully maintained and features the Mark Twain boyhood home and museum, the Tom and Huck statue, and Becky Thatcher Bookshop.

To the west is the region's largest lake, the 18,600 acre Mark Twain Lake. The lake is becoming an all-around favorite with a family water park and RV campground.



ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment Information Box Office Numbers

Area Code: (217)

The Center.....	788-8814
Sangamon State University Auditorium.....	786-6160
Muni Opera.....	529-5787
(June-August)	
Theatre Center.....	523-9595
"Great American People Show"	632-7755
(June-August)	
Springfield Cardinals.....	525-6590

Note: You can also call **753-Know**, a 24-hour recorded hotline, for up-to-the-minute information about Springfield events

INTERESTING PLACES TO SEE IN THE LAND OF LINCOLN

Abraham Lincoln

Lincoln's Home
Lincoln's New Salem
Lincoln's Tomb
Old State Capitol
Lincoln's Depot

Historic

Illinois State Capitol
Governor's Mansion

War Memorial

Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Museums

Illinois State Museum
Springfield Children's Museum
Illinois State Military Museum
Grand Army of the Republic
Memorial Museum
Daughters of Union Veterans of
The Civil War Museum

Other

Adams Wildlife Sanctuary
Camp Butler National
Cemetery

Library

Lawrence Memorial Library

Gardens

Washington Park Botanical Garden
Lincoln Memorial Garden

Zoo

Henson Robinson Zoo



Peoria Company headquarters is located in this metropolitan area of north central Illinois, approximately 150 miles southwest of Chicago and 171 miles northwest of St. Louis.

Peoria's central location on the Illinois River allowed the city to become a major industrial center, ranking among the top 65 industrial markets in the country. The city is famous for having big city resources with small town conveniences. For instance, with its 8,200 acres of public park land, Peoria has the seventh highest ratio of park land per capita in the nation. Peoria parks are conveniently located throughout the city and are accessible to all citizens.

The Illinois River flowing past the city widens into Peoria Lake, the widest body of freshwater in downstate Illinois. Peoria Lake is a major recreational facility for boating, fishing, and other water activities.

Wildlife Prairie Park, located ten miles west of Peoria, is an "open" zoo and nature conservatory that allows visitors to view native Illinois animals in their natural prairie habitat. The park has miles of trails, facilities for meetings and banquets, and overnight accommodations.

Central Illinois Offers Excitement

Peoria is full of fun and excitement all year round. Take a trip to the Boatwork located at the foot of Main Street in downtown Peoria. The complex includes an authentic paddleboat — *The Spirit of Peoria* — that is available for excursions; a restaurant that was once a tugboat; and a museum that was built onto an old towboat. The complex is a popular spot for both Peoria families and visitors.

The city is home to a number of sporting attractions. Depending on the season, you can catch a Peoria Rivermen hockey game or a Peoria Chiefs baseball game or a Bradley University basketball game. Peoria is also the home of the Steamboat Classic, the largest 15K race of its kind.

East Peoria is excitement! Nestled on the banks of the Illinois River, the East Peoria area offers a wealth of attractions, museums and accommodations for interests of all kinds. Shopping, recreational sporting activities, dining facilities, gaming and special events abound in the area.

Be sure to catch the Festival of Lights, which includes a lighted night-time parade with stunning electric displays (Nov. 30 - Dec. 31).

Also enjoy the Marketplace and the Enchanted Forest, a walk-through of dazzling holiday scenes.

Exciting East Peoria is a shopper's dream with many unique stores and even an antique mall with over 200 dealers.

Broadway plays at Eastlight Theatre. Enjoy a professional company performing in a beautiful 1200 seat auditorium.

ATTRACTIONS/INFORMATION:

African American Museum	
Hall of Fame	309-673-2206
Apollo Fine Arts & Entertainment Center	309-673-4343
Carl Spindler Campgrounds	309-699-5616
Delvan Restoration Society	309-244-7594
Dickson Mounds State Museum	309-547-3721
East Peoria Festival of Lights	309-698-4711
Fondulac Park District	309-699-3549
Forest Park Nature Center	309-686-3360
Fort Crevecoeur	309-694-3193
George Luthy Memorial Botanical Garden	309-686-3362
Glen Oak Zoo	309-698-1711
Illinois Historical Water Museum	309-671-3701
Lakeview Museum of Arts & Sciences	309-686-7000
Peoria Park District	309-682-1200
The River Trail of Illinois	309-699-3923
The Spirit of Peoria	309-676-9999
Wheels O' Time Museum	309-243-9020
Wildlife Prairie Park	309-676-0998



Army Golden Knights jumping through the St. Louis Arch.

We look forward to seeing you in St. Louis — *a great place to live and work!*

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